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FUSION PROTEINS FOR IDENTIFYING PROTEASES, PROTEASE TARGET SITES AND REGULATORS OF PROTEASE ACTIVITY IN

LIVING CELLS (Amended)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2003 (Paper No. 30), entry of the amendment and reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and following remarks are respectfully requested.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, January 9, 2004, in an envelope addressed to:

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